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Report Highlights:

The Government of India's (GOI) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) published updated draft regulations regarding labeling requirements for the contents of trans-fat in packaged food products. The deadline for the public comment period is August 5, 2015.

Executive Summary:

FSSAI published the draft [Food Safety and Standards \(Packaging and Labeling\) Amendment Regulations, 2015](#), to update labeling requirements pertaining to declarations of trans-fat content in packaged food products. Although the draft amendment has not been notified to the World Trade Organization (WTO), FSSAI will accept comments from interested public stakeholders through August 5, 2015.

General Information:

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Comments should be formatted as per the example pasted below and sent to:

Chief Executive Officer
Food Safety and Standards Authority of India,
Food and Drug Administration Bhawan,
Kotla Road, New Delhi. 110002
Email: regulation@fssai.gov.in

The full text of the FSSAI notification is pasted below at the end of the report and can also be accessed on the FSSAI website: <http://www.fssai.gov.in/>.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(FOOD SAFETY AND STANDARDS AUTHORITY OF INDIA)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 5th June, 2015

F. No 4/15015/30/2011.—The following draft of certain regulations, further to amend the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Regulations, 2011, which the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India proposes to make, with previous approval of Central Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (k) of sub section (2) of section 92 read with section 23 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (34 of 2006) is hereby published as required by the said sub-section (2), for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby, and notice is hereby given that the said draft regulation shall be taken into consideration after the expiry of the period of thirty days from the date on which the copies of the Official Gazette in which this notification is published are made available to the public;

The objections or suggestions duly supported by scientific evidence, if any, may be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, Food and Drug Administration Bhawan, Kotla road, New Delhi. 110002.

Any objections or suggestion which may be received from any person with respect to the said draft regulation within the period specified above shall be considered by authority;

Draft Regulations

1. (1) These regulations may be called the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Amendment Regulations, 2015.
2. In the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Regulations, 2011,-
- (a) in regulation 2.2 relating to 'Labelling', in sub-regulation 2.2.2 relating to 'Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods'.

- (i) in clause 2 relating to 'List of Ingredients', in the Table under the first proviso, under the heading 'classes' for the entry 'Edible vegetable oils/Edible vegetable fat' and the corresponding entry under the heading 'Class Titles', the following shall be substituted, namely:-

Classes	Class Titles
"Edible vegetable oil/Edible vegetable fat or both hydrogenated or partially hydrogenated oil	Give name of the source of the edible oil such as mustard oil, groundnut oil, etc.
Edible vegetable fat	Give type of vegetable fat (interesterified vegetable fat, hydrogenated oils, partially hydrogenated oils, edible vegetable fats, margarine and fat spreads, such as mixed fat spreads, vegetable fat spreads";

- (ii) in clause 3 relating to 'Nutritional information', in sub-clause (v), for items (iii) and (iv), the following item shall be substituted, namely,-
 - (iii) Every package of edible oils, interesterified vegetable fat, both hydrogenated or partially hydrogenated oils, edible fats, margarine and fat spreads (mixed fat spread and vegetable fat spread) and package of food in which fats, oils and fat emulsions is used as an ingredient shall declare the quantity of trans fat content and saturated fat content on the label."
- (b) in regulation 2.4, sub regulation 2.4.2 relating to 'Labelling of edible oils and fats', in clause 4, sub-clause (c) shall be omitted.

YUDHVIR SINGH MALIK, Chief Executive Officer

[ADVT.-III/4/Exty./187-O/15(102)]

Subject: Draft Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Amendment Regulation, 2015 regarding declaration of Trans fat content on label. [Amendment in the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Regulation, 2011: Regulation 2.2].

FORMAT FOR SENDING THE COMMENTS/ SUGGESTIONS

Sr. no.	Name and address of the organisation/person, contact number and e-mail.	Relevant section in the draft notification on which comments are being provided	Comments/suggestions	Rationale	Remarks

Date:

Place:

Name and Signature